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Mr. Kenneth D. Westwood MIDCO, Inc. P. O. Box 1448 Provo, Utah 84601

> Hornet and She Mine MIDCO ACT/023/005

Dear Mr. Westwood:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter which we received from the BLM concerning MIDCO's intent to mine the Hornet and She mine.

This Division will await documentation from MIDCO to show that the matter has been cleared with the BLM. The Division must also receive notice of bond arrangements prior to issuance of approval for the site.

If you have questions, please call.

Sincerely,

JAMES W. SMITH, JR. COORDINATOR OF MINED

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November 10, 1980

State of Utah
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Attention: Mary Ann Wright

Re: Order to Show Cause No. Act/023/005

Dear Ms. Wright:

We have received the subject Order to Show Cause and several other letters of correspondence between your Division and MIDCO, Incorporated concerning their proposed tungsten mining operation in T. 12 S., R. 18 W., Juab County. The BLM has been interested in obtaining the details of MIDCO'S mining proposal because of its proximity to the Deep Creek Wilderness Study Area and to several significant resource values that have been identified in the Deeps.

Members of my staff met with Mr. Kenneth Westwood in Provo on October 23, 1980.. At that time, Mr. Westwood showed us maps and photos of the area and further explained MIDCO'S mining proposal. He indicated to us, as is indicated in your executive summary, that his right to mine is by unpatented mining claims. He assured my staff the claims had been properly recorded with the BLM.

Several members of my staff have recently been involved in developing a protective management plan for the Deep Creek Mountain area. A portion of that plan included a compilation of all unpatented mining claims in the area that have been recorded with the BLM as required by Section 314 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. This compilation of claims did not identify the existence of the "She" and "Hornet" claims that Mr. Westwood stated were recorded with the BLM.

We have further searched our mining claim records and found that the claims were sent to the BLM for recordation, but that MIDCO was deficient in their filings. The Utah State Office sent a letter to Mr. Westwood on October 15, 1980 requesting that the deficiencies be corrected within 30 days; otherwise the claims will be declared null and void.

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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING We recommend that you contact April Clissold in our Utah State Office (524-4431) to find out if the deficiencies have been corrected and that the claims are properly recorded prior to issuing your final approval for the mining operation.

We also recommend that a seed mixture of those vegetative types listed in the ecology section of your Executive Summary be required in MIDCO'S revegetation efforts in the area.

Sincerely yours,

Honald L. Venottelow

cc: House Range Resource Area